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GOVERNMENTAL COMPLEX HARBOR SPRINGS, MICHIGAN

Meeting called to order by Chair Kishigo at 9:50 am.

Smudging by Vice-Chair Bott and invocation by Theresa Keshick, Economic Development Research Assistant.

Roll call:

Present: Cheryl Kishigo, John Bott, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow, Michael Givens and Laura Blumberg.

Quorum established.

Staff: Jaime Barrientoz, Economic Development Director Susan A. Swadling, Economic Development Assistant

Theresa Keshick, Economic Development Research Assistant

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to adopt the agenda as presented and amended, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to adopt the minutes of April 9, 2005 as presented and amended, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent

Motion passed.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to adopt the minutes of May 21, 2005 as presented and amended, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to accept the phone poll dated June 10, 2005, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent

Motion passed.

Opened public comment at 10:21 am.

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Susan A. Swadling, Theresa Keshick, Cheryl Kishigo, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow, Jaime Barrientoz, Laura Blumberg, Michael Givens and John Bott. Closed public comment at 10:36 am.

Council feedback

- Information from Tribal Council was reviewed.
- Two Commissioners' terms will be expiring in September; a letter of interest needs to be sent to the Tribal Council by July 31, 2005.
- Reviewed conference and training information
 - o National Congress of American Indians will be held on October 31, 2005 thru November 5, 2005 in Tulsa, Oklahoma.
 - Commissions, Boards and Committees training will held on October 20th and 21st at Victories Hotel
 - Community Development Financial Institution Technical Assistance training will be conducted by Stewart Sarkoczy on August 11th and 12th at the Government Complex.
- 2006 budgets adjustments have been made

Break at 11:02 am.

Reconvene at 11:21 am.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to authorize travel and stipend for those commissioners attending the 62nd Annual Convention of the National Congress of American Indians in Tulsa, Oklahoma from October 30th, 2005 to November 4th, 2005, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent. Motion passed.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to authorize travel and stipend for those commissioners attending the Commissioners, Boards and Committees training at Victories Hotel on October 20th and 21st, 2005, supported by Commissioner Blumberg. Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent. Motion passed.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to authorize mileage and stipends for Community Development Financial Institution virtual training for the rest of the training schedule, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent. Motion passed.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to authorize travel and stipends for those commissioners attending the National Community Capital Association Annual Conference in Los Angeles, California, on October 22nd thru 29th, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent. Motion passed.

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Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to authorize travel and stipends for those commissioners attending the Community Development Financial Institution Technical Assistance training at Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians government complex on August 11th and 12th, 2005 conducted by Stewart Sarkoczy, Director of Training and Technical Assistance for the Oweesta Corporation, supported Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent Motion passed.

Economic Development Director Report

Jaime Barrientoz, Economic Development Director, submitted a written and verbal report.

- Commission recommends that Bell's pate and smoked fish be sold at Biindigen.
- Discussed Bell's Fishery commission visited the facility on May 22, 2005.
- Odawa Enterprises draft business plan was distributed to the commissioners.
- Al Colby has taken responsibility for the Trap Net Operation.

Susan A. Swadling, Economic Development Assistant, gave a verbal report on Kings Inn and the Tribal Business Resource Center.

- Opened the pool at Kings Inn and found a leak in the pool furnace, it needs to be replaced. Lauree Kirchoff, General Manager, is working with Alexander's to set a payment plan to replace the furnace.
- Tribal Business Resource Center continues to be housed at the Michigan Works building on Division Road.

Theresa Keshick, Economic Development Research Assistant, gave a verbal report on Biindigen and the tax agreement.

- Repairs on counter.
- Swipe card system deadline is July 31, 2005.
 - o Send out information to blue card holders regarding the new swipe cards.
- Tax Agreement Summit is scheduled in Lansing in July Tribes have several issues that need to be discussed.
- Safety inspection at the store one problem was noted and has been resolved.
- Liquor issue at the store has been resolved.

Financials for enterprises – Accountant not present.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to accept the Economic Development Director's written and verbal report and staff's verbal reports, supported by Commissioner Givens.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent. Motion passed.

Break at 12:31 pm. Reconvene at 1:11 pm.

Chair report

- Discussed CDFI scheduling and updates.
- August 11 & 12th will be CDFI training

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- Charter is still in Legal Department.
- EDC wants to focus on CDFI timeline.

Motion to accept Chair's verbal report by Vice-Chair Bott, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

Vote taken: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain (Chair Kishigo), 0 absent. Motion passed.

Vice-Chair report – no report.

Treasurer's report.

• Verbal report on commission budget.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's verbal report as presented by Vice-Chair Bott, supported by Commissioner Blumberg.

Vote taken: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain (Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow), 0 absent. Motion passed.

Secretary report – no report.

Enterprises policies update by Jaime Barrientoz.

• Al Colby, Tribal Administrator, is working with Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman, on the policies.

CDFI timeline/homework will be worked on in workshop scheduled on June 19, 2005.

Everyone needs to fill out the virtual CDFI training evaluation form and fax it in.

1:43 pm opened public comment. Theresa Keshick, Cheryl Kishigo, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow 1:50 closed public comment.

July 9th next meeting, work session, July 10th.

Motion to adjourn by Vice-Chair Bott, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow. Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.	
	Michael Givens, Secretary